WI-546 Mt. Hermon M. P. Church Salisbury vicinity Public worship

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#### Inventory No. WI-546

# Maryland Historical Trust Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form

historic	Mount Hermon Methodist Protestant Church				
other	Mount Hermon United Methodist Church				
2. Location					
street and number	31355 Moun	t Hermon Road		n	ot for publication
city, town	Salisbury			x	vicinity
county	Wicomico				
3. Owner of F	Property	(give names and mailing	addresses of all owners	)	
name	Trustees of	Mount Hermon United Me	ethodist Church		
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Mount Hermon Methodist Protestant Church, commonly known as Mount Hermon United Methodist Church, stand at 31355 Mount Hermon Road southeast of Salisbury, Wicomico County, Maryland. The single-story Gothic Revival frame church faces north with the gable roof oriented on a north/south axis. Joining the church on the lot is a single-story meeting hall.

Built in 1887, the single-story, three-bay, rectangular, gable-front frame church rests on a low brick foundation, and the exterior is clad with a uniform layer of aluminum siding. The steeply pitched gable roof is covered with asphalt shingles. Fixed in the southeast corner of the brick foundation is a marble datestone inscribed, Mt. Hermon M. P. Church, 1887.

The north (main) elevation is a symmetrical three-bay front with a center entrance and flanking windows. The front door is a replacement, however, the opening is original and is defined by a pointed arch transom fitted with late nineteenth-century glass. The transom has a row of colored glass panes that define the perimeter of the transom. To each side are pointed arch lancet windows, the east window retains its original sash, whereas the west window has been removed. The window opening is filled with plexi-glass. Defining the gable end is a tripartite Gothic arched louvered vent. The edge of the roof is finished with an extended eave which is enclosed and fitted with returns at the base of the roof.

The east and west sides of the church are alike with three evenly spaced lancet windows filled with colored glass windows. The perimeter of each sash is fitted with colored glass panes, whereas the center is etched with a star pattern.

Attached to the south (rear) wall is a shorter single-story, gable roofed apse with small pointed arch windows in each side.

The interior has been remodeled with the addition of sheet paneling above a beaded board wainscoting. Surviving from the late nineteenth century is the semi-circular altar rail with turned balusters. The raised altar area retains Victorian furniture. The pews in the church are modern replacements. The ceiling has been lowered with acoustical tile.

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Specific dates	June 19, 1887		Architect/Builder	
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Evaluation for:	National Register		_Maryland Register	xnot evaluated

Prepare a one-paragraph summary statement of significance addressing applicable criteria, followed by a narrative discussion of the history of the resource and its context. (For compliance projects, complete evaluation on a DOE Form – see manual.)

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Wicomico County Land Record, FMS 2/140, 9 February 1887.

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Name Mt. Hermon M. P. Church Continuation Sheet

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Salisbury Advertiser, June 18, 1887

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Wicomico County Land Record FMS 2/140

Eugene M. Walston Charlotte T. Walston

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Trustees of Mt Hermon M. P. Church, Dean W. Perdue, Joseph M. Parker, John W. Smith, Eugene M. Walston, John S. Hastings, Emory L. Williams, George W. Fooks, Levin W. Twilley, and Jacob B. Hastings

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### 9. Major Bibliographical References

graphical References Inventory No. WI-546

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Wicomico County Land Records, various volumes, Wicomico County Courthouse.

#### 10. Geographical Data

#### Verbal boundary description and justification

The metes and bounds of this property are coincidental with the current boundary of the lot.

#### 11. Form Prepared by

name/title	Paul B. Touart, Architectural Historian		
organization	Private Consultant	date	7/20/2001
street & number	P. O. Box 5	telephone	410-651-1094
city or town	Westover	state	Maryland 21871

The Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

The survey and inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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Maryland Historical Trust DHCD/DHCP 100 Community Place Crownsville, MD 21032-2023 410-514-7600 Mr. Samuel Cordray died at his home in Barren Creek district, Thursday of last week. He was buried on Saturday by Rev Jas. S. Eaton, in the Presby-frian church yard at Barren Creek Springs. Another of Wicomten's oldest and best citizens is dead. Mr. Cordray was born in 1800; and was a man respect, and an analysis of the man respect, and the man respect, and the man respect of the man respect, and the man respect of the man re

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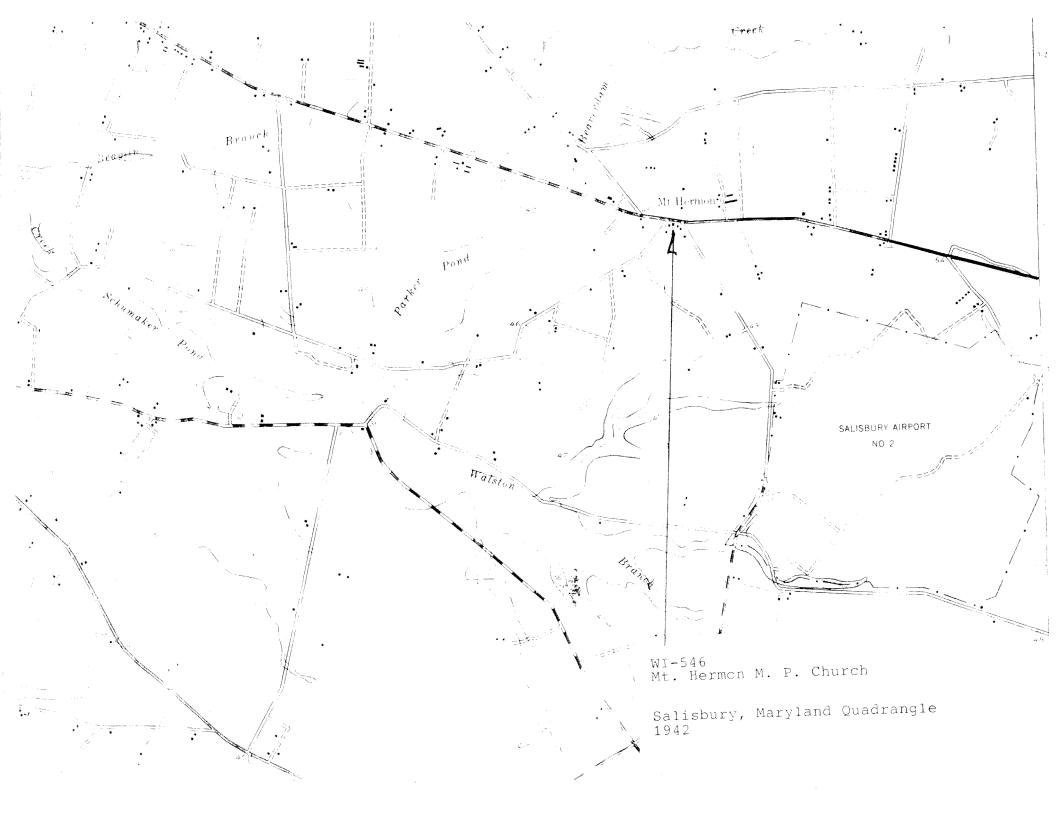
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name	Mour	nt Hermon United Me	thodist Church			
street & n	umber	31355 Mount Hermo	on Road	tele	phone no.:	410-749-0169
city, town	Salis	bury	state	& zip code	MD 21804	
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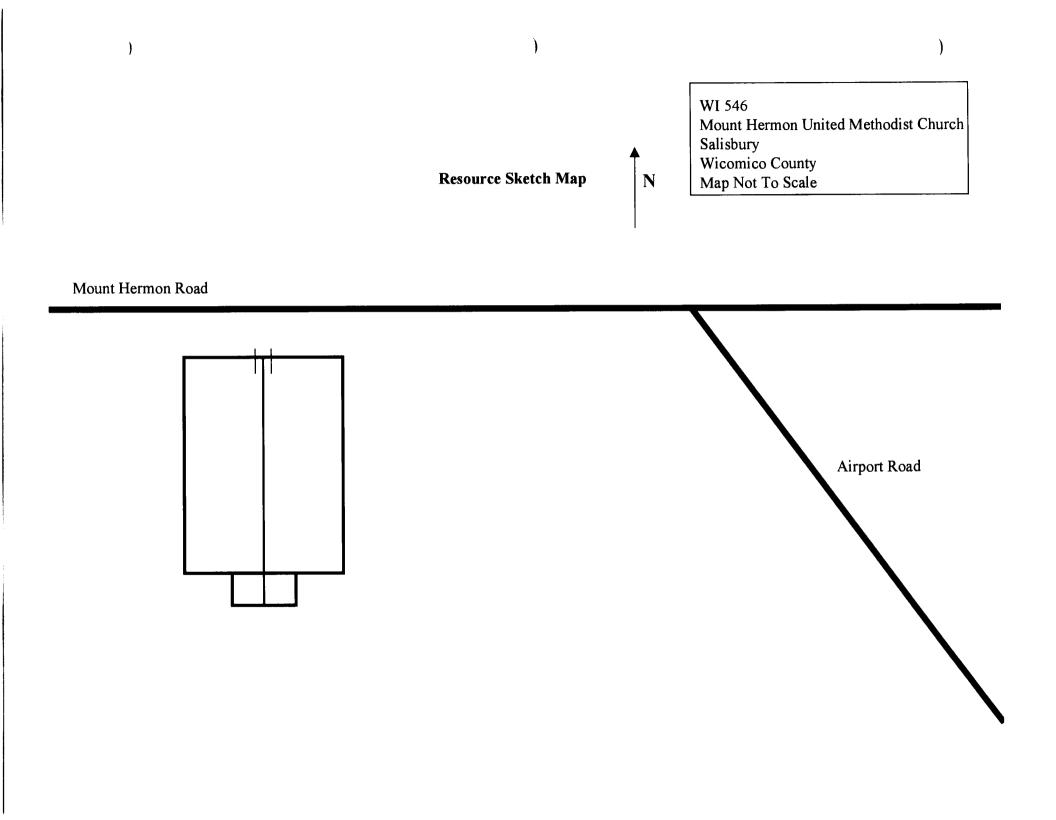
Mount Hermon United Methodist Church is located on the south side of Mount Hermon Road at the intersection of Airport Road. The cornerstone for the church reads Mt. Hermon M. P. Church and is dated 1887. The church is frame with aluminum siding, a brick and concrete foundation, and front-gable asphalt shingle roof with gable returns. The gable has a three part louvered gothic window. The stain glass gothic arched windows are double hung. The front door is topped with a gothic arched stain glass transom.

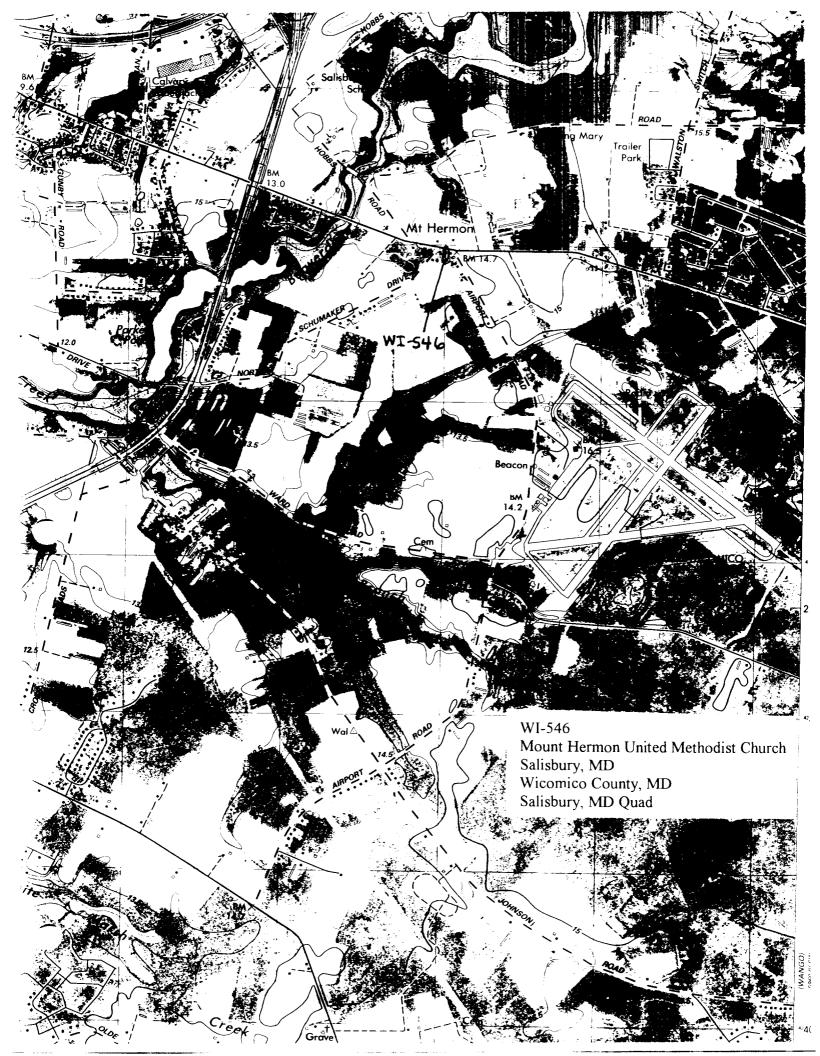
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